

PROCTOR, PROUTY.

The Two Republican Candidates
Address a Monster Rally
in Chelsea.

MARTIN PLAYS CLEMENT.

Shows How He Violated the Laws of
Vermont by Making Discriminating
Rates on the Rutland Railroad.

Chelsea, Aug. 16.—The anniversary of Dennington battle day was celebrated in Orange county by a great and patriotic demonstration, on the occasion of the republican rally at the old white town. In all this strenuous campaign Fletcher D. Proctor has not met with a more popular nor gracious expression of approval than here where 500 people heard him deliver a strong, forceful, manly speech on the important issues of the campaign. The rally was held in the fine new town hall, which seated comfortably 90 while 200 more filled the standing room in the rear and many other late comers lined up on the outside near the windows and listened to the gospel of sound republican doctrine.

A band concert by the Chelsea Brass band was given on the park following which at two o'clock the rally was called to order by the Hon. J. K. Darling. On the stage with the chairman were Mr. Proctor, Mr. Prouty, Mr. Martin, the orators of the day and Col. C. S. Emery of Newport, the Hon. G. L. Shaw, candidate for judge of probate, D. S. Conant of Bradford, J. H. Merrill of Stratford and J. L. Fiddis of Wells River.

Mr. Darling presented Mr. Proctor in a complimentary speech and the candidate was greeted with long and loud cheering as he faced his audience. Mr. Proctor took up the various issues one by one, clearly defining the platform and policies of the party in detail. He paid particular attention to the subjects of common schools, good roads, taxation and expenses, and deplored the unwarranted and unequal charges by Clement of graft in State institutions.

In his comparison of State expenses Mr. Proctor said in all that Mr. Clement and his literary bureau have put forth regarding the increase in our State expenses we find no acknowledgment of the improvements which have been made in our State institutions, of the new buildings which the State has assumed and of the increased activities for her people which she has undertaken, but the expenses of the present are unblushingly compared with the expenses of the past, leaving the impression that the same things are being compared when in fact they are not.

He referred to the fact that the expenses of the national government are twice as large as they were a few years ago, but that it did not follow from that fact that the national government is extravagantly administered. Instead of simply comparing the gross expenses of today with what they were some years ago, the only fair way is to take those expenses in detail, consider what changes, improvements or enlargements have been made and whether they have been wisely made. The real question, he said, is whether the people are getting to-day what they are paying for it or could be procured for less. There were frequent outbursts of applause throughout Mr. Proctor's speech and at its close he was forced to hold a continued informal reception shaking hands with hundreds who pressed forward to greet him.

MR. PROUTY'S SPEECH.

The Hon. G. L. Prouty of Newport was next introduced and made a brief but telling speech on the charges of graft and machine politics. He ridiculed the idea advanced by Clement that a wicked machine was attempting to rob the State and invited any one to name a specific instance of graft or corruption in a State institution. He asked his audience where machine rule came in and who and what the machine was. He for one did not know, he said, of any one who did. Mr. Prouty told some good stories and by his appearance and business-like address won many new friends.

ADDRESS BY MARTIN.

The Hon. James L. Martin of Brattleboro did the closing honors, making a splendid presentation of the conduct of affairs at State institutions together with expenses. He attended to Mr. Clement's base charges and insinuations showing up the real Clement with a vengeance and laying bare the duplicity and deceit of the would-be governor. The charges of grafting among officials of State institutions were utterly refuted and the tables skillfully turned on Mr. Clement along the lines of graft, secret rebates and favoritism.

Mr. Martin read extracts from the re-

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publican platform showing its demand for legislation to provide a penalty for the violation in State business by railroads and other common carriers, just as Congress has provided a penalty for the violation of interstate business. He pointed out the republican platform with the fusion democratic, which is entirely silent on the subject. He explained to the audience the coils of secret rates as practiced by Clement and showed how such things crushed out competition and vitally affected the pocketbook of every consumer.

Mr. Martin emphasized his point and arranged Clement for his record on railroad rates when he Clement was dictating the policy of the Rutland railroad. He quoted from the Vermont statutes, 2001 as follows: "A railroad corporation whose road is located in the State shall not charge a larger sum for freight merchandise than the rate for the same loss distance to or from a way station or station, and in case of violation of this provision the excess so charged may be recovered from said corporation by the party aggrieved in an action for money had and received with costs." To show Clement's contempt for the laws of the State as well as the man as a grafter Mr. Martin read a copy of a letter written by direction of Clement in June 2, 1896, making rates as follows from Rutland to Brandon 16 miles 85 cents per ton, from Rutland to Middlebury 34 miles \$1.10 per ton, from Rutland to Burlington 6 miles 50 cents per ton, while he had a rate for himself on his Bristol railroad from Rutland to New Haven Junction of 20 cents per ton.

Mr. Martin's speech was frequently interrupted with applause and he was applauded to the echo when he finished. Following the rally a band concert was given on the park.

BIG RALLY IN CHESTER.

A Thousand People Hear Dillingham
and Pitts—Clement Workers Are
Giving Up Fight in Win-
dus County.

Chester, Aug. 16.—The largest and most enthusiastic rally ever held in this town was the republican rally to-night when 1,000 people gathered to hear the republican speakers. Some came from towns 10 miles away and many were unable to get into the hall. So interested were they that hardly a person left the hall before the last speaker closed his speech at 11:30.

A. J. Maxham, the campaign singer, was present and the speakers were Sen. W. P. Dillingham, Attorney-General C. C. Pitts and C. H. Williams of Bellows Falls. Mr. Pitts repeated his charges against Mr. Clement and Sen. Dillingham gave one of his masterly speeches in defense of the present administration of State affairs.

The meeting was a strong contrast to the advertised fusion meeting here Tuesday night when the three speakers came and found so few present they refused to speak.

That Clement sentiment is waning here is shown by the fact that a former Clement man refused to accept \$300 offered him for use in a large town in this county saying he could not help Clement any more. Clement leaders in two other towns reported to have refused for Clement have also refused to work any more for his election. This afternoon an enthusiastic audience of 400 people gathered at Fitchville and listened to addresses by Sen. Dillingham and Mr. Williams.

FUSIONISTS AT MANCHESTER.

A. B. Rowley, E. J. Hall and J. H. Senter the Speakers.

Manchester, Aug. 16.—An audience of 120 people gathered in the Union band gathered in the hall here, which will accommodate 200 people and heard A. B. Rowley of Richmond, E. J. Hall of Bennington and John H. Senter of Montpelier discuss the State conditions from a fusionist standpoint. C. F. Orvis presided. The speakers said but little new but repeated their charges of graft, extravagance and abandoned farms.

TOWN OF RUTLAND'S NOMINEE.

Rutland, Aug. 16.—The republican voters of the town of Rutland to-day nominated Elmer S. Slade, for many years manager of the Vermont Marble company store at Center Rutland, for town representative. Mr. Slade was in the Legislature of 1904.

CLEMENT AND PAPE SPEAK.

Addressed a Large Audience at New-
port—McCarthy Appeals to Labor.

Newport, Aug. 16.—P. W. Clement addressed a large audience to-night at Lane's open house. Music was furnished by the Newport Cornet band and the colored quartette. C. N. Brady acted as chairman and introduced the speakers, Clement and Pape and McCarthy. The quartette made a hit with the audience and the witty remarks of Pape and McCarthy brought forth a great deal of applause. Mr. Clement spoke of the increased expenses and said the rule did the business methods. McCarthy appealed to the working men of the State and compared the wages of the men in Barre and Proctor.

A ROUSER AT RANDOLPH.

F. D. Proctor Gets after Clement On
Taxes and Care of Insane—Ex-
plains Marble Business.

(Special to the Free Press.)
Randolph, Aug. 16.—The republican rally

here to-night was a rouser. Dubois & Gay's hall, the largest in town, was packed to the doors by an enthusiastic crowd who wanted to see Proctor and hear the truth as expounded by the head of the ticket. The meeting was called what they wanted for throughout the meeting which lasted two hours scarcely a word while a great many remained after the close to shake Mr. Proctor's hand and assure him of their hearty support.

The meeting was a short contest in the square between seven and eight o'clock and then led the big crowd into the hall, where the seats were rapidly filled and standing room was soon at a premium. The Hon. Dana H. Morse was the presiding officer and in a happy worded speech in which he paid high compliments to the party and its candidates, introduced Mr. Proctor.

Mr. Proctor was received with prolonged and enthusiastic applause and after repeatedly bowing his acknowledgments delivered his address. Educational matters were first considered and the speaker called attention to the fact that in the platform of the fusion candidate the subject of public schools had not been mentioned. He believed that the children of to-day needed a better and more general education, that the schools can and should be better and that higher efficiency and better results could be obtained particularly in the rural communities by trained and skilled superintendents and teachers. He believed that it was the duty of Vermont to keep abreast of the times and educate her children for the upbuilding of the State and nation.

He referred to the cry of graft sent abroad by Clement and his emissaries and deprecated the unfounded charges created for political purposes through which the fair name of the State was being dragged in the mire. Mr. Proctor's claim that such statements were all very wrong, that their repeated repetition at home and abroad was a great injury to the State and that he did not believe that the people would stand for such things was received with great applause.

The speaker here gave a detailed account of the purchase of marble by the House of Correction from Vermont Marble company and showed that the average purchases by the State for a year amounted to \$2,500 and asked his audience if they thought for a minute he was trying to corrupt Legislature and manipulate political machines for profit that there was in that amount of business. The audience at once the ridiculousness of Clement's claim and laughter and applause followed.

He referred to Mr. Clement's participation as chairman of the finance committee of the Senate of 1900 in reporting the bill favoring a direct tax on the people of 15 cents which cost the town of Randolph \$3,231. The passage of the direct tax and the killing of the bill advertising an increased tax on corporations saved the Rutland railroad, which Clement was president, \$25,000. This exposure of Clement's duplicity was warmly applauded.

Mr. Proctor also discussed the subject of highway taxation generally.

CARE OF INSANE.

Mr. Proctor referred to Mr. Clement's Windsor speech in 1904 where the latter said that the State paid for the care of its insane in 1871, \$12,000 and in 1901, \$135,000 and that if the State had put the exorbitant charges of the Waterbury insane asylum in Brattleboro before they got that bill through apparently the State would be better off by more than \$100,000. Such a statement, said Mr. Proctor, could not come from a fair minded man. In 1871 the State only carried for criminal and transient insane having no settlement in any town in the State. In 1901 it was caring for all the insane poor in the explanation of the difference.

As far back as 1848 the appropriation of the State for the care of the insane was only \$100. In 1855 a law was passed by which the State undertook to care for transient insane poor having no legal settlement in any town. In 1878 a law was passed by which the State undertook to care for all insane poor having no legal settlement whether they were transient or not, and in 1886 the State took the entire burden of the care of the insane of the towns and care for all insane people in the State. He said that the whole idea of taking care of the insane in asylums was a matter of gradual growth. That the State got along once without any insane asylum within its borders, but that he did not believe in putting the old method nor of putting the expense of the insane back upon the towns.

Mr. Proctor contended that the only cost figures worth comparing is whether or not the weekly cost per patient is right and proper and he showed that, notwithstanding Mr. Clement's claims to the contrary, the average weekly cost per capita for the care of the insane for the biennial term ending June, 1903 was only \$3.58 per patient, compared with the average cost per patient in 14 similar institutions, eight of them in Massachusetts was \$6.64 per week. Considering the difference in markets and the fact that Waterbury takes care of all classes of insane was a remarkable showing.

He also referred to the fact that Mr. Pratt, who is now Mr. Clement's personal accountant, after making a thorough investigation for the State investigating commission said of the Waterbury asylum that its accounts both in system and accuracy compare favorably with accounts of well managed business enterprises and that in his opinion no change could be made which would be of any substantial benefit to the State.

HOW TO REDUCE COST OF INSANE.

Mr. Proctor pointed out that the weak point in the State's relations to its insane is not any undue cost for their care but a tendency on the part of some towns to send a class of unfortunate persons to the asylum that could be safely and properly cared for at home. This matter should be carefully investigated and by closer watchfulness on behalf of the State in regard to the patients sent there be kept down and something be saved in that way. He said that it required constant vigilance to keep a business enterprise upon an economical basis and such vigilance should be given to the asylum as to any other State institution, but that Vermont cannot afford as a matter of common duty and civic responsibility to maintain in any way not fully up to the standard of modern civilization.

PROUTY SPEAKS.

Mr. Prouty was presented as one of Vermont's big lumber men and he gave what was expected of him a plain business-like speech. He told of the two conventions in Burlington on June 28, the independent being simply to further the political ambitions of one man, the fusion convention finally fused the lion and the lamb laid down together, but the lamb was inside the lion.

J. L. Martin followed with one of his strong speeches.

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SECRET SESSION.

Labor Men Will Not State What
Action They Took Regarding
Politics

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

James Crutchen Chosen President
of the Vermont Branch—D. A. Bar-
ton Delegate to National Con-
vention—Seven Bills for
Legislation Reported.

Montpelier, Aug. 16.—Previous to the opening of the third day's session of the Vermont branch of the American Federation of Labor this morning the officers and delegates were photo-

graphed in front of the Lawrence block. When the convention assembled it was unanimously voted to appropriate \$25 to the American Federation of Labor to assist in carrying on the propaganda against members of Congress who are opposed to the union label. It was also unanimously voted to request the executive committee of the National Federation of Labor to place the R. A. Patterson Tobacco company of Richmond, Va., on the unfair list, with reasons for the request that they are running an open shop. Among the goods handled by this firm are "Lucky Strike," "H. O.," and "Tatter-son's Seal."

On motion of Daniel Braton of Rutland the convention at ten o'clock this morning went into executive session to consider the recommendation made by President McCarthy on the opening day of the convention, that "a neutral position be maintained on the part of the union in politics, not men paying no attention to the aspirations of individuals."

When the executive session was adjourned neither the press committee nor the officers of the convention would give to the press the result of the consideration of President McCarthy's recommendation. At the closing session this afternoon the legislative committee reported favorably on seven bills which are to be introduced into the Legislature of 1906 and the convention approved the report of this committee. These bills provide for the abolition of convict labor, to provide a bureau of labor and statistics in Vermont, liability of employers to employees, examination and licensing of plumbers, eight hours of labor on public work and the examination and licensing of stationary engineers and firemen.

The officers elected this afternoon were installed by National Secretary James Duncan of Quincy, Mass. They are: James Crutchen, of Barre, president; James Bracey of Northfield, Park County, vice-president; H. L. Hoffman of Rutland, and E. H. Menard of Montpelier, vice-presidents; Ira E. Stafford of Rutland, recording secretary; N. A. Malignen of Rutland, financial secretary and treasurer; P. J. Halvosa of Rutland, State organizer; David A. Braten of Rutland, delegate to the annual meeting of the American Federation of Labor at Minneapolis in October; P. J. Halvosa of Rutland-alternate.

The convention voted \$50 additional pay for the past year to N. A. Halgren of Rutland, financial secretary and treasurer. It was voted to hold the next annual meeting in Burlington, commencing on Tuesday in August, 1907.

P. W. McCarthy of Barre, the retiring president, was presented in behalf of the delegates present with a solid gold ring as a token of appreciation of the good work Mr. McCarthy has done during the past year. The presentation was made by James Crutchen of Barre. Nearly all the delegates went to their homes this evening.

TROUT STOCKHOLDERS MEET.

More Land about Lake Mansfield Want-
ed—An Old Home Social.

Stowe, Aug. 16.—The stockholders of the Lake Mansfield Trout club held a special meeting at the club house to-day to consider the matter of acquiring land adjacent to the lake for the use of the above purpose. About 50 stockholders were present, Burlington, Montpelier, St. Johnsbury and Waterbury being well represented.

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is necessary for the erection of cottages. A committee of seven was appointed to see about acquiring land adjacent to that already controlled by the club by purchase or perpetual lease. As the matter of erecting cottages cannot be decided until the land matter is settled the resolutions to allow the erection of cottages was laid on the table.

Several townspeople and their guests accepted the invitation to visit the lake during the day. This evening a social was held at the home of Mrs. Anna Kimball. A musical programme, an African palaver (a series of progressive games) were the entertainment. Refreshments were also served and there was a large attendance, including many out of town visitors. Miss Harriet Savage, who is to move to Massachusetts in September, was the guest of honor.

SUED CENTRAL VERMONT.

State Will Try to Punish Road for
Charging Excessive Freight.

Montpelier, Aug. 16.—Two suits have been brought by Attorney-General C. C. Pitts against the Central Vermont Railway company for damages in collecting excessive freight tariff on coal used at the State hospital for the insane at Waterbury and for money collected in excess of the regular rates, are returnable at the September term of Washington county court.

These suits are brought under sections 2302 and 2304 V. S. which provide for reasonable and equal rates from carrying companies to all corporations, and providing a penalty for their violation. C. W. Witters, counsel for the Central Vermont railway, has accepted service in these two suits. It is alleged that the Central Vermont has been charging excessive rates on coal for the Waterbury asylum since 1900, on a total of over 20,000 tons. The first suit is for \$10,000 damages and the second for \$5,000 excess money collected.

A BIG GRANGE MEETING.

About 3,000 People and Prominent
Speakers at Malone.

Malone, N. Y., Aug. 16.—Three thousand people gathered here to-day under the auspices of the county Grange. The Hon. F. A. Dethrick, master of the Ohio State Grange; Fred Shepard, lecturer, and W. N. Giles, secretary, of the New York Grange; the Hon. George R. Malby of Ogdensburg, N. Y., and Attorney-General Julius M. Mayer of this State were the prominent speakers. The Hon. F. D. Kilburn, president, and Mayor Thomas Hinds of Malone extended a cordial welcome to all. Politics were ignored.

GREAT POWER AT MASSENA SOLD. Ogdensburg, N. Y., Aug. 16.—The Pittsburg Reducing company by a deal completed to-day obtained absolute control of the extensive electric power facilities at Massena, N. Y. The company bought the controlling stock of the St. Lawrence County Electric and Water company, capital \$100,000, the St. Lawrence Water company, capital \$100,000, and the Massena Electric Light and Power company, capital \$50,000. The Pittsburg company recently purchased the St. Lawrence River Power company, which owns the canal between the St. Lawrence and Grasse rivers now developing 35,000 horse power, with the ultimate capacity of 150,000 horse power.

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SHOOTING TOURNAMENT.

J. A. R. Elliot Won the Highest Professional Average at St. Albans.

St. Albans, Aug. 17.—The most successful shooting tournament which has taken place in this State in recent years was held in this city to-day under the auspices of the St. Albans Gun club. A total of 41 shooters participated, the majority of them shooting through the entire programme which consisted of twelve events, a total of 200 targets per man. Champion J. A. R. Elliot, of the Winchester Repeating Arms Co., and J. R. Hull, representing the Parker gun, were present. The high professional average was won by Mr. Elliot with a total of 122 out of a possible 200. The Interstate trophy contest for a loving cup donated by the Dupont Powder Co., resulted in a tie by the teams of the St. Albans and Champlain, N. Y. Gun clubs, each scoring 81 out of a possible 100. C. O. Barrett of the St. Albans Gun club, made the high amateur average, 33 1-2 per cent.

NARROW ESCAPE FOR CHILDREN.

Rutland, Aug. 16.—Mrs. M. L. Putnam of this city left her three children aged eight, six and one, asleep while she went on an errand this afternoon, returning in a half hour to find the house smoldering from heat from fire in a nearby shed. The shed was destroyed while the house was saved by hard work, the exterior being somewhat damaged. Madeline, the six years old child discovered the fire and ran across the street to tell the neighbors of the danger of the sleeping children and Mrs. Putnam, a blind woman who lived upstairs. The woman and the youngest child were immediately carried out but Clarence, aged eight years slept on, overlooked, in the smoking building until the frantic mother returned and counted her little ones.

NOMINATE W. T. DEWEY

Twenty-Three Montpelier Independents
Want Him for Representative.

Montpelier, Aug. 15.—Twenty three independents of this city met in caucus this evening and nominated W. T. Dewey for representative to the next general assembly. Mr. Dewey is treasurer of the Vermont Mutual Fire Insurance company.

To a committee appointed to wait on him at his home Mr. Dewey stated that he would accept the nomination. The caucus appointed a committee of five to confer with the democrats in caucus next Saturday evening in regard to a union justice ticket.

SEASONED WITH SPIRITS.

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OTHER OFFICERS ELECTED.

Looks as Though Next Encampment
Will Be at Saratoga—Total Membership of the Grand Army is Now 235,423—Deaths of Past Year 9,205.
Minneapolis, Minn., Aug. 15.—Commander-in-chief—R. B. Brown, Zanesville, Ohio.
Senior vice-commander—William H. Armstrong, Indianapolis.
Junior vice-commander—E. B. Fenton, Detroit.
Chaplain-in-chief—Archbishop John Ireland, St. Paul.
Surgeon-general—W. H. Johnson, Lincoln, Neb.
The foregoing officers were elected to-day at the annual meeting of the Grand Army of the Republic.

The strongest opponents of Mr. Brown were C. G. Burton of Missouri, and Captain P. H. Conely of Kansas. Both of these withdrew when it was seen that the election of Mr. Brown was a certainty. The latter then was chosen by acclamation. Several candidates were nominated for senior and junior vice-commanders, but all withdrew in favor of Armstrong for the senior position and Fenton for the junior place, and both men were chosen unanimously.

After the election, the place of holding the next encampment was taken up, and the New York delegation presented Saratoga. An adjournment was taken before a vote was reached and other cities that desire the encampment will have an opportunity to present their invitations to-morrow. The sentiment is strong in favor of Saratoga.

The new commander-in-chief was born in 1845, and has always lived in Ohio. He enlisted in the 15th Ohio infantry at the age of sixteen years and served in the 14th army corps in the Army of the Cumberland until he was mustered out in 1864. He then re-enlisted as a veteran soldier and served as such until the end of the war. He was a private throughout the first three years of his service and then became a non-commissioned officer. He has always been active in the work of the Grand Army.

Mr. Brown is editor of the Zanesville Courier.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS.

At the business session to-day the reports of officers were submitted. According to the report of the quartermaster-general, Frank T. Bartlett, the receipts during the year were \$20,472, expenditures \$18,182, leaving a balance in the treasury of \$2,290. An abstract of the report of Adjutant-General Tweed shows the total membership of the Grand Army to be 235,